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Appl. No. 09/988,065; Filed: November 16, 2001

For: Method and Apparatus for Detection and Classification of

Impairments on an RF Modulated Network

Inventor:

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Our Ref:

1875.1460001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. A Certificate under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) from Assignee with a copy of the executed Assignment attached;
- 2. Power of Attorney From Assignee; and
- 3. A return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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The Assignee hereby appoints James D. Bennett, Esq., Reg. No. 37,550, David J. Rosmann, Reg. No. 43,059, and the following U.S. attorneys associated with CUSTOMER NUMBER 28393 to prosecute this application and any continuation, divisional, continuation-in-part, or reissue application thereof, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, such attorneys currently being: Robert Greene Sterne, Esq., Reg. No. 28,912; Edward J. Kessler, Esq., Reg. No. 25,688; Jorge A. Goldstein, Esq., Reg. No. 29,021; David K.S. Cornwell, Esq., Reg. No. 31,944; Robert W. Esmond, Esq., Reg. No. 32,893; Tracy-Gene G. Durkin, Esq., Reg. No. 32,831; Michael A. Cimbala, Esq., Reg. No. 33,851; Michael B. Ray, Esq., Reg. No. 33,997; Robert E. Sokohl, Esq., Reg. No. 36,013; Eric K. Steffe, Esq., Reg. No. 36,688, Michael Q. Lee, Esq., Reg. No. 35,239; Steven R. Ludwig, Esq., Reg. No. 36,203; John M. Covert, Esq., Reg. No. 38,759; and Linda E. Alcorn, Esq., Reg. No. 39,588. The Assignee hereby grants said attorneys the power to insert on this Power of Attorney any further identification that may be necessary or desirable in order to comply with the rules of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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In consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) or equivalent and other post of the undersigned inventor(s): Daniel H. Howard, the undersigned inventor(s) hereby sell(s) and assign(s) to Broadcom Corporation (the Assignee) his/her entire right, title and interest, including the right to sue for past infringement and to collect for all past, present and future damages:

check applicable box(es) of for the United States of America (as defined in 35 U.S.C. § 100), of and throughout the world,

(a) in the invention(s) known as Method and Apparatus for Detection and Classification of Impairments on an RF Modulated Network for which application(s) for patent in the United States of America has (have) been executed by the undersigned on 3/2/02 (also known as United States Application No. 09/988,065, filed November 16, 2001), in any and all applications thereon, in any and all Letters Patent(s) therefor, and

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- (b) in any and all applications that claim the benefit of the patent application listed above in part (a), including continuing applications, reissues, extensions, renewals and reexaminations of the patent application or Letters Patent therefor listed above in part (a), to the full extent of the term or terms for which Letters Patents issue, and
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The undersigned inventor(s) agree(s) to execute all papers necessary in connection with the application(s) and any continuing (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part), reissue, reexamination or corresponding application(s) thereof and also to execute separate assignments in connection with such application(s) as the Assignee may deem necessary or expedient.

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The undersigned inventor(s) hereby represent(s) that he/she has full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that he/she has not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict therewith.

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